

ANNUAL REPORT 1939.

To the Chairman & Members of

the District Council. of Langport. R.D.

Gentelmen,

The Ministry of Health instructed me to say that in view of the increasing pressure of work in the public health department of the local authorities, it is considered that interim reports only should be made for the year 1939.

These reports are to be confined to essential and urgent matters which have affected the public health during the year, especially any matters arising from, or connected with, the war, outbreak of infectious disease, maternity and child welfare together with any exceptional administrative measures taken or recommended by the Medical Officer of Health.

Suitable arrangements have been made by me for the careful preservation of all records including the statistics to be supplied by the Registrar General.

I am glad to be able to report that, beyond the common infantile disorders, there has been no outbreak of more serious disease and no case of puerperal mortality. There have been 21 cases of Scarlet Fever notified, but no deaths, and there has not been one case of diptheria reported. Two mild cases of Enteric were notified, and both made a good recovery.

The opening of the new Isolation Hospital at South Petherton has proved most valuable, especially in view of the presence of many evacuated children in this district. The Sanitary Inspector's Report, is in every respect satisfactory.

I remain, Gentelmen,

Your obedient Servant,

GODFREY CARTER M.B.,D.P.H.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office, at the City of New York, this [illegible] day of [illegible] 19[illegible].

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